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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
(Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(4) and § 1.98) AND
STATEMENT OF RELATEDNESS (Under M.P.E.P. § 2001.06(b))**

Sir:

This Information Disclosure Statement is filed concurrently with the filing of a Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") in the above-referenced application.

The Examiner is requested to consider the references noted on the enclosed Form PTO/SB/08A and B during examination of the above-identified patent application. These references are submitted for the Examiner's consideration and are submitted pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56. In submitting these references, no representation is made or implied that the references are or are not material to the examination of the application. The Examiner is requested to review the cited references and is encouraged to make his or her own determination of materiality of the references cited on the enclosed Form PTO/SB/08A and B. Pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2), a photocopy of the U.S. patent document is not provided, unless required by the Office. Photocopies of the foreign patent documents are provided herewith.

French patent publication No. 2 545 724 A1 is not in the English language. Therefore, in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3)(i), an English translation of the Abstract (from esp@cenet Database – Worldwide located at <http://ep.espacenet.com>) is attached to this reference to satisfy the requirement for a concise explanation of relevance.

Taiwan patent publication No. 379572 Y is not in the English language. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3)(i), any information disclosure statement filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 shall include a concise explanation of the relevance, as it is presently understood by the individual designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c) most knowledgeable about the content of the information, of each patent, publication or other information listed that is not in the English language. The concise explanation may be either separate from the specification or incorporated therein.

Taiwan patent publication No. 379572 Y appears to show an adjustable bench joined to a frame and a user arm engagement member positioned above the bench and operatively joined to a load. The load appears to be joined to a support arm that pivots around a point to oppose movement of the user arm engagement member in an upward direction from a stationary position. It appears that the amount of resistance provided by the load can be adjusted by sliding the load along the support arm either towards or away from the pivot point.

In satisfaction of the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, and as required by M.P.E.P. § 2001.06(b), the Examiner is requested to consider the following application owned or licensed by Assignee, Nautilus, Inc., of the present application, which may include subject matter similar to that of the present application:

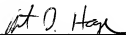
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This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted before the mailing of a first Office action after filing a RCE. Accordingly, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(4), no fees are believed due. However, if fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 or any additional fees are deemed necessary, such fees may be charged to Deposit Account No. 04-1415.

If the Examiner has any questions, please contact the undersigned attorney.

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